

BARON PARTNERS FUND®



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Institutional Shares (BPTIX)

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Portfolio Managers

Ron Baron founded Baron Capital in 1982. He has been portfolio manager of Baron Partners Fund since 1992, Baron Growth Fund since 1994, Baron Focused Growth Fund since 1996, and Baron WealthBuilder Fund since 2017. Ron has 54 years of research experience.

Michael Baron joined Baron Capital in 2004 as a research analyst and was named portfolio manager of Baron Partners Fund in 2018 and Baron WealthBuilder Fund in 2020. He has 21 years of research experience.

Investment Strategy

This is a focused Fund that mainly holds in U.S. companies of any size with significant growth potential. A substantial percentage of the Fund's assets are in its top 10 holdings. The portfolio managers also use leverage. Non-diversified.

| Value | Blend | Growth | |
|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| | | | Large |
| | | | Medium |
| | | | Small |

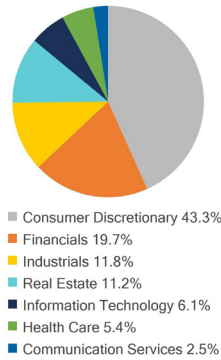
Portfolio Facts and Characteristics

| | |
|--|------------------|
| Inception Date | January 31, 1992 |
| Net Assets | \$6.05 billion |
| # of Issuers / % of Net Assets | 21 / 116.4% |
| Turnover (3 Year Average) | 5.84% |
| Active Share | 94.3% |
| Median Market Cap ⁴ | \$17.68 billion |
| Weighted Average Market Cap ⁴ | \$205.40 billion |
| As of FYE 12/31/2023 | |
| Expense Ratio* | 1.99% |

*The Expense Ratio includes 1.04% of operating expense and 0.95% of interest expense.

Retail: BPTRX
R6: BPTUX

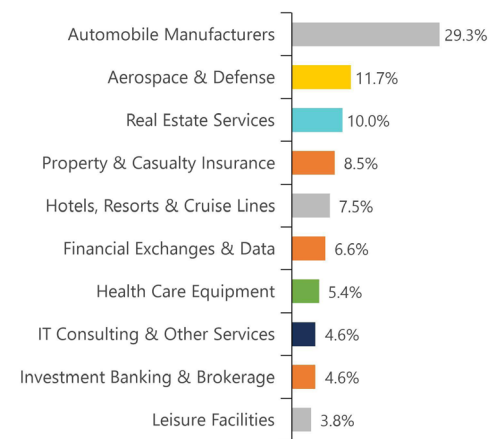
GICS Sector Breakdown^{1, 2, 5}



Top 10 Holdings^{2, 5}

| | % of Total Investments |
|--|------------------------|
| Tesla, Inc. | 29.3 |
| Space Exploration Technologies Corp. | 11.1 |
| CoStar Group, Inc. | 10.0 |
| Arch Capital Group Ltd. | 8.5 |
| Hyatt Hotels Corporation | 7.5 |
| IDEXX Laboratories, Inc. | 5.4 |
| FactSet Research Systems Inc. | 4.6 |
| Gartner, Inc. | 4.6 |
| The Charles Schwab Corp. | 4.6 |
| Vail Resorts, Inc. | 3.8 |
| Total | 89.4 |
| Long Equity Exposure (% of Net Assets) | 116.4 |
| Cash & Equivalents (% of Net Assets) | -16.4 |

Top GICS Sub-Industry Breakdown^{1, 2}



Colors of Sub-Industry bars correspond to sector chart.

Performance

| | Total Return (%) | | Annualized Returns (%) | | | | Since Inception 1/31/1992 |
|---|------------------|-------|------------------------|---------|---------|----------|------------------------------|
| | QTD | YTD | 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | 10 Years | |
| BPTIX-Institutional Shares | -9.01 | -9.01 | 5.78 | -0.20 | 25.16 | 17.37 | 14.70 |
| Russell Midcap Growth Index | 9.50 | 9.50 | 26.28 | 4.62 | 11.82 | 11.35 | 10.14 |
| S&P 500 Index | 10.56 | 10.56 | 29.88 | 11.49 | 15.05 | 12.96 | 10.42 |
| Morningstar Large Growth Category Average | 11.92 | 11.92 | 36.45 | 7.95 | 14.89 | 13.24 | - |

Historical Performance(Calendar Year %)

| | 2023 | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
|-----------------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| BPTIX-Institutional Shares | 43.47 | -42.41 | 31.73 | 149.18 | 45.38 | -1.75 | 31.91 | 4.29 | -2.43 |
| Russell Midcap Growth Index | 25.87 | -26.72 | 12.73 | 35.59 | 35.47 | -4.75 | 25.27 | 7.33 | -0.20 |
| S&P 500 Index | 26.29 | -18.11 | 28.71 | 18.40 | 31.49 | -4.38 | 21.83 | 11.96 | 1.38 |

The performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate; an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. The Adviser may waive or reimburse certain Fund expenses pursuant to a contract expiring on August 29, 2034, unless renewed for another 11-year term and the Fund's transfer agency expenses may be reduced by expense offsets from an unaffiliated transfer agent, without which performance would have been lower. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. For performance information current to the most recent month end, visit baronfunds.com or call 1-800-99-BARON.

Performance Based Characteristics³

| | Std. Dev. (%) - Annualized | Sharpe Ratio | Alpha (%) - Annualized | Beta | R-Squared (%) | Tracking Error (%) | Information Ratio | Upside Capture (%) | Downside Capture (%) |
|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------|---------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 3 Years | 36.47 | -0.08 | -3.10 | 1.35 | 64.64 | 22.97 | -0.21 | 133.27 | 152.00 |
| 5 Years | 40.48 | 0.57 | 10.62 | 1.49 | 65.09 | 26.22 | 0.51 | 169.70 | 149.20 |
| 10 Years | 31.08 | 0.51 | 3.43 | 1.40 | 65.89 | 19.52 | 0.31 | 148.05 | 144.08 |
| Since Inception | 27.21 | 0.45 | 4.50 | 1.12 | 66.53 | 15.92 | 0.29 | 125.60 | 116.67 |

Top Contributors/Detractors to Performance⁴

BY SUB-INDUSTRIES¹

| Top Contributors | Average Weight (%) | Contribution (%) | Top Contributors | Average Weight (%) | Contribution (%) |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Property & Casualty Insurance | 8.82 | 1.88 | Arch Capital Group Ltd. | 8.82 | 1.88 |
| Hotels Resorts & Cruise Lines | 7.53 | 1.54 | Hyatt Hotels Corporation | 7.53 | 1.54 |
| Real Estate Services | 10.19 | 1.25 | CoStar Group, Inc. | 10.19 | 1.25 |

BY HOLDINGS

| Top Detractors | Average Weight (%) | Contribution (%) | Top Detractors | Average Weight (%) | Contribution (%) |
|----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Automobile Manufacturers | 37.78 | -13.41 | Tesla, Inc. | 37.78 | -13.41 |
| Alternative Carriers | 1.62 | -0.75 | Iridium Communications Inc. | 1.62 | -0.75 |
| Financial Exchanges & Data | 7.67 | -0.25 | FactSet Research Systems Inc. | 5.41 | -0.24 |

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The Fund may not achieve its objectives. Portfolio holdings may change over time.

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Performance for the Institutional Shares prior to 5/29/2009 is based on the performance of the Retail Shares, which have a distribution fee. The Institutional Shares do not have a distribution fee. If the annual returns for the Institutional Shares prior to 5/29/2009 did not reflect this fee, the returns would be higher.

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